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Progress Report for August 1950

1. Upon project authorization to staff for the preparation of a biweekly Survey of Far East Broadcasts, new recruitment and internal transfers of personnel were initiated. Discussions concerning the desirability of transferring survey responsibilities to ORE are being continued.

2. In response to a State Department CD, an interim report on "Recent Developments in the Yugoslav-Satellite War of Nerves" was furnished State and ORE. A survey of "Sino-Soviet Comment on U. S. Aggression in China" was prepared for the White House.

3. The Tokyo Bureau staff has been further increased by four positions to provide coverage of newly inaugurated Korean, English and Japanese broadcasts from Pyongyang and Seoul.

4. The proposed reproduction of the Daily Report by the photolith method has been abandoned. GPO found its plant unable to meet deadlines without modification of the FBID editorial operation.

5. Navy has agreed to permit limited FBID use of its London-Washington radioteletype facilities beginning in October.

6. Dissemination:

a. Teletype service to the Provost Marshal General was instituted on 24 August.

b. The extension of wire service to VOA New York to a 24-hour basis continues to await the entrance on duty of teletypist recruits. Service can be started without excessive overtime duty when three of the five staff vacancies (three actual and two prospective) have been filled.

c. At ORE request, delivery of unpublished Soviet commentaries to Eastern Europe Division has been discontinued.

d. Austrian Bureau now supplies G2, USFA Rear, Salzburg, a drop of its teletype file. London Bureau makes its daily survey of Satellite broadcasts available

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to the London Embassy. Okinawa's Peking intercepts are sent by pouch from Tokyo to USIS Formosa because of overloading of the Navy teletype channel previously used.



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